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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

This is in reply to the final Office Action mailed on June 21, 2006, a response to which is initially due by September 21, 2006.

Since this paper is filed in response to a Final Office Action, the Applicants submit that this paper is a reply under 37 CFR 1.116 and request expedited processing of this response after final rejection as described in MPEP 714.13. Please amend the above-identified application as described below and consider the following remarks. **All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.